

EXCITEMENT OVER AND RUSH TO NEW CAMP OF BULL FROG.

With the discovery of vast deposits of gold and silver ores in Tonopah four years ago, the state of Nevada was awakened from a sleep which had lasted for almost 20 years, or ever since the close of the excitement over the fabulous mines of the famous Comstock lode at Virginia City in the early '60s.

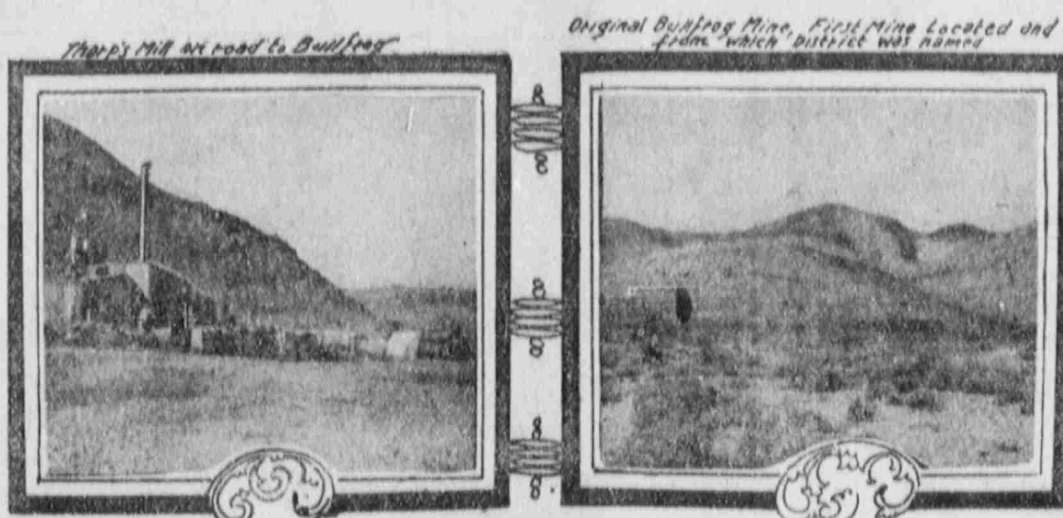
The excitement attendant upon the almost unheard of values which were being extracted by the leasers from the Mizpah, Valley View and other great lodes in Tonopah, had hardly ceased when ores of still more phenomenal richness were discovered in Goldfield, 25 miles to the south.

This new famous camp has established in a remarkably short space of time, a record, and which it has since maintained unbroken by a single disappointment, equaled by few if any gold camp the country has ever known.

Valuable mining claims situated on Ladd mountain in the heart of the present known mineral zone, together with eight claims at Indian Springs, four miles distant, and five on Benson mountain, three miles away. The chief discoveries to date were made in what is termed the main ledge, which traverses and outcrops the company's ground on the Ladd Mountain group for a distance of 3,000 feet. This ledge is from 200 to 300 feet in width, and no place on its vast surface have panings failed to disclose values. These values, while maintaining a general uniformity around \$60, occasionally run well into the thousands per ton.

ENORMOUS VALUES.

While prospecting development work on this ledge a few weeks ago a tale seam of some 15 to 20 inches in width was opened up, which, under repeated sampling showed an average value per ton of over \$1,000. This seam is identical with the rich tale of the Jumbo mine of Goldfield, where her greatest and most persistent values were obtained. Later a few days, while doing location work on another group of



has been identified with successful mining ventures and operations.

CLARK TO TONOPAH.

In the Tonopah district, where Clark is the best interested in a number of the heavy properties, and is known by everyone, to become his associate in a mining project of any kind is to identify oneself with success. It is said that to interest Clark in a new field is extremely difficult, but once he is convinced he takes hold in such a thorough manner that the success of the project is at once assured and established.

Clark's history from early boyhood to the present time is full of interest. Starting in life as a hooiback and newsboy in Indianapolis at the age of nine years he made his own way. At 16 he is found riding the range in Texas for a big cow outfit. After a number of years of cowboy life, during which he learned to rope, tie and brand a steer with the best of frontier talent, he drifted into the Territory of Arizona, where he engaged in mining, and has since, from mucker to mine superintendent and owner been engaged in this business.

MANAGED ARIZONA MINES.

In the early '90s Clark managed the Sheep Trail mines in Arizona. Later he came in charge of successful producers in California. Clark discovered, located and now owns the first quartz mines found at Nome, Alaska, which are at present being worked under lease.

Mr. Clark is vice president of the Golden Gate group at Tonopah and vice president and general manager of the Timber Hill mines, 40 miles north. He owns 10 claims adjoining the great lead mine at Reville, and is one of the original and heaviest owners in the Goldfield Mining company of Goldfield on whose ground is being operated the famous January lease.

Notwithstanding all of these valuable interests Mr. Clark considers his Bullfrog property the greatest of all, and is now concentrating his entire attention in that direction.

CLARK A HUSTLER.

As an illustration of Clark's hustling propensities, the building of the new telegraph and telephone line from Goldfield to the Bullfrog will serve as an excellent example. About two weeks ago Mr. Clark and his associates decided to place their district in communication with the outside world. Material was at once purchased and distribution started. Today, Dec. 10, Mr. Clark assures the writer he will talk to Bullfrog before Christmas day, and that he will do it is not doubted. There is one gang to dig holes, which will make five miles per day, a pole gang and a wire gang. The distance is 65 miles. Clark figures that in 20 days the Bullfrog office will be open for business.

Messrs. Clark, Benson and Ladd also own the Amargosa townsite on which is located the principal camp of the district, and which is situated exactly in its center. Over 250 lots have been sold to date, and material is going in from Tonopah and Goldfield which will be the first of the year build a good sized camp.

PLENTY OF WATER.

Ten miles distant there is an unlimited supply of water, which is now being piped to the town, which it will reach by gravity. Pinon Pine timber is to be had in abundance 12 miles distant from the camp, which for years to come will supply timbering for the mines. Work here can be conducted every day in the year, no interruptions being occasioned by severe weather in either season. There are now about 1,000 people

in the Bullfrog district and the accommodations can care for.

THE RUSH IS ON.

The Rush is on. Every available team, horse, mule or burro which can be bought, borrowed or stolen is pressed into service. Amargosa and the Bullfrog is the goal, and with her great deposits and enormous values, her natural resources of almost every description and value to a grower, mining district shall we be surprised if here are duplicated the vast fortunes of Mackay, Flood and O'Brien, which, over 20 years ago were hoisted from a hundred levels in the world famed Comstock.

HEADED FOR BULLFROG.

For the past three weeks there has been a constant stream of prospectors leaving Goldfield for the new discoveries at Bullfrog, 65 miles south of here. Among those who have examined the district was Mr. Arthur Philbrick, of the well known firm of Booker, Philbrick & Benson, mining engineers, who stand very high in their profession. Everyone who knows Mr. Philbrick knows the fact to be that he is ultra-conservative. The writer has known him for many years and has perfect confidence in his honesty and ability. At the writer's request Mr. Philbrick prepared the following sketch of his trip and what he saw. He says:

ROAD IS GOOD.

The road from Goldfield to the district is as good in most places as the road from Tonopah to Goldfield, following the open desert country with easy grades all the way. The distance is about 70 miles to the town of Amargosa near the Bullfrog mine, via the new cut off road from Thorp's quartz mill. The road picture shows this old mill which was built many years ago to work the ores from some old mines about 10 miles westerly in the Grapevine range.

The mineralized area of the Bullfrog district, appears to be many miles in extent. I did not find time to examine the Bullfrog mine, but am told an ore-shoot 800 ft. in length and several feet wide has been exposed on the surface, showing average values of about \$10 per ton. I saw some of the ore which is a beautiful gold bearing quartz, showing visible gold with a slight copper stain.

REMARKABLE SHOWING.

About three and a half miles easterly from Amargosa is the Dorsey & Sutherland property which I examined in company with my friend, Mr. John W. Cover. The showing upon the surface here is most remarkable. The lode is an enormous quartz fissure, cutting the lode porphyry of a prominent butte which is situated on the edge of the great Amargosa desert. This lode adjoins the Camp Patrick Smith and Corcoran property. Some very high grade ore from \$500 to \$1,000 per ton has been found upon the Ladd property. This ore occurs in a small fissure in a silicified porphyry dyke, much like the great dykes of Goldfield. It will no doubt make a great producer when developed, but as yet is only a very promising prospect.

WONDERFUL SURFACE ORE.

The Patrick Smith & Corcoran property, which adjoins the Ladd on the east, is evidently a parallel lode. On this claim is the most wonderful showing of surface ore that I ever saw,

undiscovered. It is safe to say the entire width of the lode, 75 feet, or more will pay to mill. Average values run \$18 to \$25 per ton. A streak apparently two to four feet wide of this ore I sampled separately, which gave assay results of \$125 and \$155 per ton. There is a fine streak of ore just uncovered within the last two days. The gold is bright and very free in the ore, and the quartz has a fine lively appearance as if it came from a large ore body. The country rock is lode porphyry not unlike the Goldfield and Tonopah porphyry which is famous for its wonderful ore bodies.

THE NEAREST WATER.

The nearest water is the Amargosa river, about four miles to the east and flowing southerly into Death Valley. The nearest railroad is at present Tonopah or possibly Ivanpah on the Clark road. Wood for fuel is in the Grapevine range about 20 miles westerly.

When this district is developed large mills will be built near the mines and a railroad will be built from the south, giving direct connection to Los Angeles and the west via the Santa Fe system. Then first oil will be shipped from the California oilfields, thereby reducing the power problem to a minimum, so that very low grade ores can be mined at a profit.

That immense bodies of gold ores will be rapidly developed in this region is beyond the shadow of doubt.

NOT FOR POOR MEN.

At present it is not a poor man's country, but requires heavy capital to explore the mines. Prospectors are examining the district in all directions and strikes are being reported quite frequently. Mr. Cover and I secured some promising looking locations about five miles northeasterly from the Bullfrog mines, west of the Amargosa river in the porphyry foothills. Some of the quartz we found very much re-

sembles the ore from the great Tonopah Club property of Goldfield and gave results of \$7.60, all gold.

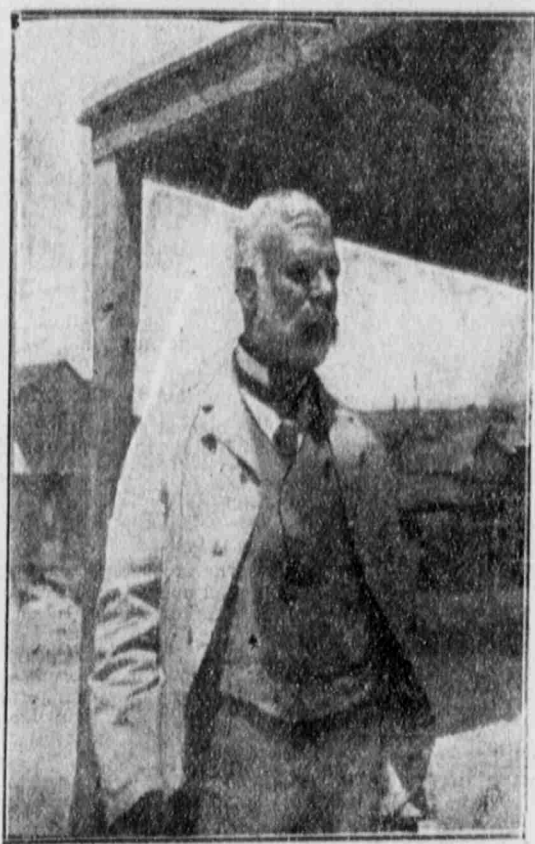
The Bullfrog group of claims consists of three lode claims and two mill sites. The Bullfrog claim is the first located in the Bullfrog district, and it is from this that the now famous Bullfrog mining district derived its name. These properties have been incorporated into a company, called the "Original Bullfrog Mines Syndicate," the name "Original" being used for the purpose of distinguishing it from a corporation known as the "Bullfrog Mining Company," and which has no connection whatever with this property.

The capitalization of the company is \$1,000,000, divided into 1,000,000 shares of the par value of one dollar each, stock fully paid and non-assessable; 300,000 shares of which have been placed in the treasury for development and working purposes. On the 25th day of November, 1904, the company decided to place upon the market 100,000 shares of the treasury stock at the low price of 10 cents per share. This stock was all taken and paid for in less than

three days, and the fact that every share was taken by citizens of Goldfield may indicate to prospective investors the splendid local reputation the property has. The personal holdings of the stockholders of this company are all pooled.

Any number of assays have been secured, running over \$1,000 per ton, the values being two-thirds in gold, one-third in silver. The vein is a contact vein, with a lime foot and porphyry hanging wall. The ledge has been disclosed by a series of small trenches for a distance of over 500 feet, and we know it to be over 100 feet wide, and in many places quartz outcroppings are over 20 feet above the surrounding country.

Thirty assays were taken from this mine, based upon second class samples, showing the remarkable average of \$53.80, and all this from the very surface. At that time no work, with the exception of the location work, being over three feet deep. The company is now sacking ore and will soon make a shipment, and in a short time will have mill and reduction works in operation.



BYRON E. SHEAR,
Of Melville Gibson Fame.

Small wonder it is then, that the oldest inhabitant, the most conversant expert, and the tireless prospector who for years has roamed these desert wastes in search of the precious metal, listens with dumb amazement to the tales which now almost daily come up from the Bullfrog. At no time nor place in the state of Nevada, nor in Golden California in her palmiest days were such samples of gold quartz to be seen. That the famous Comstock of 20 years ago, Tonopah and Goldfield of today, were, and are great, is known by every one, but that the mines of Bullfrog in the Amargosa desert are even greater is now almost a general belief among those who have visited that wonderful camp and have seen for themselves her almost fabulous deposits of mineral wealth.

A NEW DISTRICT.

The mines of the Bullfrog were discovered and located less than a short four months ago, yet at this time there are people there by the hundreds, the town, Amargosa, has a score or more of eating and drinking places, a half dozen general stores, feed corals, postoffice, in short a thriving camp fourishes there. 30 miles from the nearest railroad point, where, a short few months ago was nothing. The main property there is that of the Bullfrog Mining company, and from the showing already made, do not be surprised if at no far distant day its production of free milling gold ores exceed that of any of the famous mother lodes of the earlier western day. The property consists of 10 full con-

claims belonging to the Clark-Benson-Ladd interests and located about one-half mile north of the Amargosa townsite, another, and still richer tale deposit was discovered. No assays have been obtained from this vein but its great values are apparent from the gold particles which are visible and with which it is fairly alive. Still another ledge of exceedingly high values was recently found on the opposite slope of Ladd mountain from the main ledge. Here, in sinking a location shaft through an andesite capping of two or three feet thickness, a blind ledge was uncovered, the ores alive with free gold. This develops an early supposition that the outcropping ledges or dykes which traverse almost the entire Ladd mountain are full of gold values, and this belief which is being more and more strengthened as the ground is explored and developed, will it is believed amount to an established fact before no far off day. Indeed today these great ledges are pronounced by the experts and mining engineers who have been over them, the greatest deposits of free milling gold ore ever discovered.

This property was located in the early part of last September by H. H. Clark, L. E. Benson and G. W. Ladd, who were of the first on the ground and to make locations. These gentlemen have also secured 22 other valuable claims, on a number of which important strikes have been made.

The main property is being developed under the supervision of Mr. H. H. Clark, its general manager and secretary, who has been for the past 27 years actively engaged in this direct line of work, and who is perhaps one of the best known mining men on the west coast, where for years his work

BLACK FOREST COBELERS.

The Black Forest of Germany, a region famous for centuries, is hundreds of years behind the present age in methods of living and conducting simple industries. This fact is strikingly exemplified in the primitive ways the natives follow in making leather and shoes. When a farmer kills his beef he takes the hide to the local tanner, who will keep it for two years before he considers it fit for

the shoemaker. When the hide is leather the shoemaker is informed of the fact. Then some morning the shoemaker comes to the farmer's house with his kit of tools, and for the time being is one of the family. Every Katrina and every Johann is marched before him and measured, and the work of making shoes for the family begins. It may take a month, more or less, but he sticks to his job until every one is properly shod, when he is away to the next customer needing his service.—Shoe Retailer.

JAPANESE HUMOR.

Here is a typical Japanese humorous story: A quack doctor had prescribed the wrong medicine for the only son of a certain family, with the result that the boy had died. The parents determined to have revenge. So they sued the doctor in a court of law.

The affair was eventually patched up, the quack giving the bereaved parents his own son in return for the one he had killed. Not long after this the doctor heard a loud knocking at his door one night. On going to the door he was informed that the wife of one of his neighbors was dangerously ill and that his presence was required at once. Turning to his wife, he said: "This requires consideration, my dear. There is no knowing but that it may end in their taking you from me."—Chicago News.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

By T. C. HARBAUGH

A wondrous light falls softly upon Judah's plains afar
Where in glory and in beauty glows the magic Christmas star.
And the Orient sends its greeting to a world beyond the sea,
With the fragrance of the lilies as they bloom by Galilee.
You can almost hear the echoes of the stars that sang one morn
Where, midst the lowliest scenes of earth, the Prince of Peace was born.
And the rose assumed new beauty in the bright beams of the sun,
And fairer seemed the cedars as they grew by Lebanon.

Came the prophets and the sages from a region far away
To celebrate in Bethlehem the world's first Christmas day.
Now they journeyed to the music of the great celestial choir,
To find within a manger the fruition of desire!
How the one bright star kept moving down the pathway of the skies,
To stand at last a sentinel above earth's destinies!
How the rivers, rushing seaward, through the desert and the glen,
Bore onward to the nations, "Peace on earth, good will to men."

Earth today repeats the story that hath never yet grown old,
And the pages of the ages doth its mysteries unfold.
While the sacred bells are ringing in the clear and silent night,
With the old world lying softly 'neath its covering of white.
There's a newer luster given to the myriad lights that gleam
The asse vault of heaven like a mighty diadem.
And the telling of the story earth is chanting nothing mar,
For the harps of all the singers sound the music of the stars.

Aye, from every lofty steeple chime the ever blessed bells,
They echo where the roses bloomed in summer in the dells;
The nations pause enraptured till the world takes up the strain
That twined every flower on that night on Judah's plain,
And the warrior for a moment sheathes his grim and eager blade,
And bows his head and prays that strife forever may be stayed.
While in the East that glows with light a newer day is born,
And all the heralds of the sky proclaim the Christmas morn.

Sweet bells that ring at Christmastide, oh, may ye never cease
To sound from starry pole to pole the notes of love and peace!
Deep in the night I listen while I throw my casement wide
To hear the music of the chimes that ring at Christmastide.
They bridge the memories of time, they reach across the sea
And fill anew the story that is told in Galilee.
They blend their earthly music with the choir that sing above,
And in the gardens of the heart unfolds the rose of love.

O matchless bells of Christmas! O holiest of chimes!
I know ye ring a prophecy for all of truer times:
I catch the music soft and sweet that steals across the snow—
An echo of the hymns that stirred old Judah long ago.
I hear the song of Kedron's brook, and Lebanon's cedars tall
Lift high their heads to greet the morn above the ruined wall.
Aye, memories of that fair land the eager heart impels
To listen to the music of the sacred Christmas bells.

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